

## JOHN STYNGATE: WILL, INVENTORY and INFO

NCC Wills 273 Flack. John Stynyate keelman 1589. M4 68

In the name of god amen the eight and twentie daye of November Anne d (omine) 1589 and in the two and thirtie yeare of the roigne of o(ur) Sovereigne Ladye Elizabeth by the grace of God Queene of Englande France and Ireland defender of the faith etc. I John Stingate of the Citie of Norwich keleman although sick in bodye yet whole of mynde and of in goade and p(er)fect memory lauded be God doe ordayne and make this my p(re)sent testament and last will in manner and forme followinge videlicet)

first and before all thinges I doe commende my sowle into the mercyfull hands of Allmightie God trustinge and bellyng most asstizdly that I by and through the meritts death and passions of my lord and only saviour) Jesus Christe I shall be saved and at the latter daye have and possess a joyfull and blessed resurrection and be made p(ar)taker of the heavenly joys p(re)pared for Christ and his ( ? ) and my bodye I comytt to the earthe from were yt came and I will yt to be burried in (Christ)ian burriall at the discretion of my executters

Item I will and my full mynde is that Anne my wife shall have the use, occupations and profitt of all that my messuage and tennamant (etc) wherein I nowe dwell situate and being in the parish of St Peter of Southgate within the warde of Conisforde in Norwich and of one garden or orchard w(hich) sometyme was Richard Hedd with a certain little house of tenement thereupon buylded situate tieing or being in the p(ar)ishe of St Audry within the said Citie from the tyme of my decease untill John Harknew (?) my grandchilde shall attayne unto his full age of twentie years if he shall so longe live or else untill such tyme as he should attayne to the sayde age of twentie years if he had lived so longe and I will gyve (?) and bequeathe then unto the sayde John Hocknew if he shall be then living my sayde messuage or tenement with the yardis and appurtenances and the sayde garden or orchard with the tenement thereupon buylded and all the appurtenances to have and to holde (for ever: if he should die before the age of 20 then all the above go) to Elizabeth Hocknell my grandchilde if she shall be then living (if Elizabeth dies then the premises go to) such and spa many of the children of my late sisters children Alice West and Margaret Sallowes as shall be then living

.... Item I will and my full mynd is that the forsayd Anne my wife shall have the use occupation and profitt of all that my mesuage with appertenances and all the lands and grounds thereunto belonging or appertyning situate ... in Apton next Barrowe or in Barrowe next Apton in the County of Norfolk or in either of them nowe in the occupacon of one Beane or his assignes, and also of one

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tenement with the yards and grounds thereunto belonging sometye one Pypt(?) and after that John Pawlinge deceased situate ;.... in the parishe of St Peter in Norwich during and untill such tyme as the forsaid Elizabeth Hocknell (?) shall attayne unto the age of twentie years (if she does not then they go to John Hocknell; if he dies before he reaches twentie years then they go to) the children of my said sisters children ... to be equally divided. (To John Hocknell £100 - £60 at 20 years - £40 within 1 year. To Elizabeth hocknell £100 as above. To Anne, John and Elizabeth all household staff to be divided when Elizabeth is 20 or when she would have been 20 £10 to his sisters children at that date).

Item I give unto John Stingate of Loustoft in the eountie of Suffolk xx shilling I give and bequeathe to Mary the wife of Richard Stanton of No wick beare brewer, unto Elizabeth Pawlinge, Katherine Pawlinge and Suke (?) Ramsey to every one of them Vis I/111d apeace. The residue of all my goods chattles moneys plate and debts whatsoever to Anne .. (who Ito- makes his execrutix - to my loving friend William Ramsey citizen of Norwich to be== 40/-

### **John Stingate – keelman & dealer in reed**

from Shirley Harris: *Keels & Kilns* (King Street Research Group booklet)

#### **Keelman**

1545 Freeman by purchase

1561 Took apprentice, John Whitfield (? c.1592 owned Middays, aka Dragon Hall)

#### **Reed dealer**

Rented reed beds – cut & carried reed - sold to reeders (thatchers)

1557 given sole right with 2 others to trade in reed for the city.

1562 Fined £24 for selling without licence.

#### **Eel fisherman**

1576/77/78 Allocated eel setts between Surlingham and Buckenham Ferry

#### **Conesford service**

1544 Constable of S. Conesford – served 8 times.

1559 & 1573 – 79 Common Councillor

1579 (plague year) Skavenger (to ensure clean streets) for St Peter Southgate.

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### **Courts**

1560 Ordered to 'spear up' his gate from grounds to street.

1562 Committed to Guildhall debtors' prison for failure to pay £5 surety for John dowsing.

1569 Committed to prison for failure to pay St George's Company 40s.

1550 Deposed that John Oldman said 'it was a merry world when we were yonder eating mutton' – i.e. with Kett's rebels.

### **Family**

1566 First wife, Agnes, died

1571 Remarried widow Anne Bettes in St George Tombland.

### **Property & financial**

1542 Acquired farm of Common Staithe + lease of part of kilnyard.

Bought property to S. of New Common Staithe – became his permanent home.

Later & in 1553 bought house next door and another.

1570 Mayor's Census of Poor: assessed at 4d per week – highest in Conesford except Lady Clere & Pastons.

### **Death & Will**

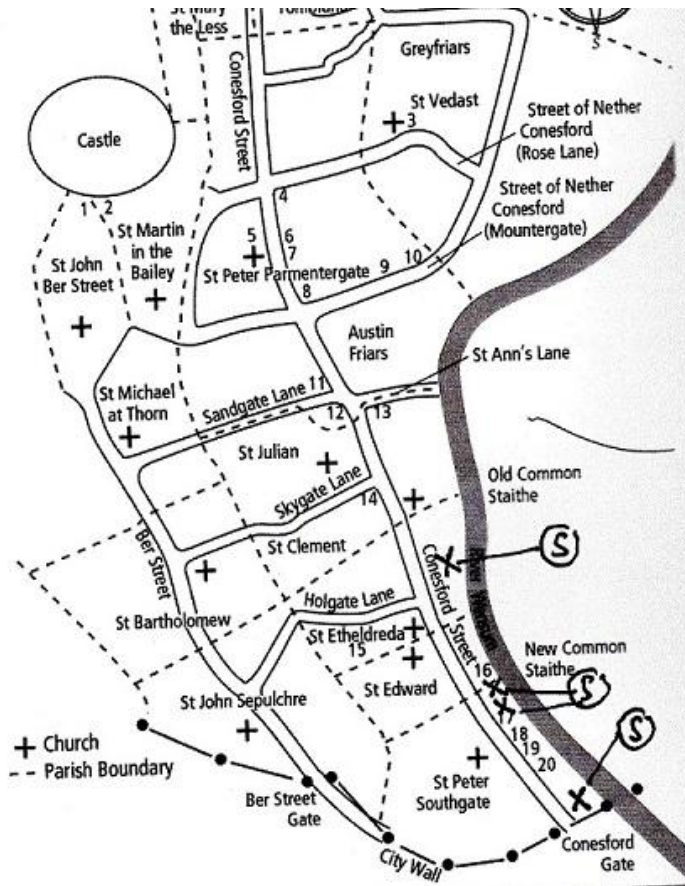
1589 Died aged 70 +. Buried in churchyard of St Peter Southgate.

Will: Own house in St Peter + garden in St Audry + £100 to grandson.

Other house in St Peter + property in Bergh Apton + £100 to granddaughter.

Widow Anne to have use of properties until grandchildren were of age.

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Inventory: Goods £80. Keel £15.  
Also misc. bedsteads, cushions, chairs,  
tongs, silver plate, 4 books,  
arms, doublets, arms, armour, pike,  
musket, bow & arrows.

S = Stingate properties

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## **INVENTORY JOHN STINGATE 1589**

Xiiii die Januarii Anno domini 1589

Anno \_\_\_ regni domine Elizabethæ xxxii

An Inventarie of all such goodes as were John Stingate's, late Conisford

Fo.5 An Inventarie of all such goodes and chattelles as late were John Styngate's while he lyved of the Citie of Norwich, keleman deceased, valued and prysed by William Ramsye, William Johnson, William Pawlyn and Thomas Wymington the xiii<sup>th</sup> daie o Jannarie Anno domini inxta computatione ecclesie Anglicane 1589 Anno regni domine Elizabethæ Reginie . xxxii

### **In the (the) forechamber**

Imprimis an old bedsteed without a tester

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- (a) (xxx) (xxx) (xx) (xx) (bedsteed) a fetherbeed, a coverlet, 2 blankettes, a darnack blanket & 3 pillowes  
\* (the) (xxx)  
Item: an old presse, an old chest & an old warming pan (xxxx)

xx<sup>s</sup>xvi<sup>d</sup>

### In the Chamber next the garden

Item: an old beedsteed & a tester (xxx) 2 Fetherbedes, a pair of blankettes, a darnock Coverlett, a blew Rugg & 3 pillowes (xxx)

I<sup>s</sup>

### In the granarie Chamber

Item: in wheat thre Combes

xxxiii<sup>s</sup>

Item: a Trundle bedstid

Item: a Wykett cheir

Item: 2 old chestes

Item: an old seave & a Cople of buckettes

an old stowe & a old hamper

& a pece of old , a pair of old & an old iron & an old  
old & an old posted beed, an old , an old busshell  
& an old Jacke (pr)

viii<sup>s</sup>

### In the little parler by the streatside

Item: a Cubbert & a Fr table, vi stoles, a forme & (an) 2 cheres, 3 chestes & 2 tiltes

Xxxiii<sup>s</sup> iiiii<sup>d</sup>

Item: a old Corslett (th . . .) & a musket, a bowe & half a slieve of arowes

iii<sup>li</sup>

Item: lynnen in one of the chestes

xx<sup>s</sup>

Item: lynen in an other cheste

xxx<sup>s</sup>

### In the water chamber

Item: 2 Coberinges of tapestry & half a dosen Cossons

v<sup>li</sup>

Item: a old fetherbeed & a blanket & a pilowe & a Carpett

xx<sup>s</sup>

Item: an old beedsteed (x) 3 fetherbeddes old & a Trundle beedsteed & 3 bolstors, all old & an Coveringe & an old twyst

xl<sup>s</sup>

Item: an old plank (...) old tubes & certen old , other old (. . .)  
& 2 ropes & a of cables

xx<sup>s</sup>

## fo.2 In the parlour chamber

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Item: 2 beedsteedes, 4 Fetherbedes, 2 bolsters, one pilow, 2 paire of blankettes, one tapestrie Coveringe & one darnacke covering & a trundle beed & a fetherbeed, a twylt & Coveringe, 2 bolsters, a pillow & 2 blankettes	
7 Corte	vii <sup>li</sup>
Item: a Cheste & xxiii pair of shetes, one diaper, foure dosen napkins, 4 towelies & pilowe (x) beares & 4 tableclothes	vii <sup>li</sup>
Item: a liverie table, 4 chestes & a cheare & a fier pane & a paire of toungeles	X <sup>s</sup> (x – viii <sup>d</sup> )

### In the greate parlour

Item: a Cubbord, a Cubber cloth & a bassoon & ( <u>yewer</u> ) <u>ewer</u> of pewter	Xxxiii <sup>s</sup> iiiii <sup>d</sup>
Item: 2 tables	x <sup>s</sup>
Item: a (a) little square table & 4 cheres	iii <sup>s</sup>
Item: 3 Jeint forms & 3 lithe stoles & 2 <u>litle</u> cheres	lii <sup>s</sup> iiiii <sup>d</sup>
Item: (a) 2 dogges, a fier pane & paire of tongles	li <sup>s</sup> vi <sup>d</sup>
Item: 2 dublettes, one bransh damask. The other (tafetir) satane & an old Jackett of russell, a pair of breches, a gowne, a lethern Jerken Spanish & a capp	vi <sup>li</sup>
Item: 2 old dubletes & paire of hoses, 2 old Jackes, an old gowne & an old cloake	xx <sup>s</sup>
Item: fouer coossions & 2 old coossions	x <sup>s</sup>
Item: a grene Carpette	xxx <sup>s</sup>
Item: 4 old bookes	v <sup>s</sup>
Item: plate	v <sup>li</sup>

### In the kitchine

Item: 16 candlestickes of brasse & one candlestick of pewter & (2) 3 chaving dishes	xxx <sup>d</sup>
Item: 4 flower pottes	viii <sup>d</sup>
Item: xii brasse pottes	i <sup>s</sup>
Item: 3 brase posnetes & a brasse skellett & a ____	vi <sup>s</sup> viiii <sup>d</sup>
Item: 4 skelletes	ii <sup>s</sup>

<i>In a different hand fo.3</i>	Item: a garnishe <u>&amp; a halfe</u> of pewter, three hand basons & certayne other olde pewter together	iii <sup>ls</sup>
	Item: x brasse ketteles & one coper kettle	xxx <sup>s</sup>
	Item: x spites, 2 roste yrans, 2 latch pannes, 2 paire of pot hockes & 2 Frying pannes & 2 scomers	Xiii <sup>s</sup> viiii <sup>d</sup>
	Item: 5 chamber pottes, 3 pinte pottes & a quate pott & 2 therkendell pottes & paire of dogges & a paire of tonnges (& the hakes in the parler)	Vi <sup>s</sup> viii <sup>d</sup>
	Item: a cuttinge ( <u>shaw</u> ) sawe & on woden pale	xvi <sup>d</sup>
	Item: a market mand, 3 Waishing basketes	xx <sup>d</sup>
	Item: a table, a forme, a dresser, a brasse borde, ii morters & ii pestels	vi <sup>s</sup>
	Item: 2 paire of belowes	xii <sup>d</sup>
	Item: <u>2</u> old ketles	xii <sup>d</sup>
	Item: 3 tubbes, 4 keilers, 2 washinge boiles, a sheringe knive, a hatchet & an hamer & all old yron	v <sup>s</sup>
	Item: a keile with all her furniture	xv <sup>li</sup>
	Item: Coles ix chaldere at home	v <sup>li</sup>
	Item: 2 woode	Xxxiii <sup>s</sup> iiiii <sup>d</sup>
	Item: 2 shoveles, a ston mortar, a sykle	xviii <sup>d</sup>
	<b><u>In the shope</u></b>	
	Item: an old bedstide, 2 pair of quirnes, an old pair of beames, a bolting tube & other killers therto belonging, scoles, waightes & other old .....	xx <sup>s</sup>
	Item: a barell of salt	iii <sup>s</sup>
	Item: . . . . .	xl <sup>s</sup>
	Item: Trinailes	Vi <sup>s</sup> viii <sup>s</sup>
	Item: 2 thousand hering spites	xx <sup>s</sup>
	Item: x plankes	v <sup>s</sup>
	Item: a waie of shalte (?salt)	xl <sup>s</sup>
	Item: in St Anderies viii chalder (vf) (xxxxx)	(xxxx)
	Item: Fulers earth 6 chalders	i <sup>s</sup>
	Item: 2 tiltes	iiii <sup>s</sup>

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fo.4      Wytnesses to this Inventarie  
 Sig William Ramsie  
 Sig William Johnson  
 Sig William Pawlen  
 Sig Thomas Wymington

} all made marks

In  
 different  
 hand

{ The prisers of the goodes aforesaide  
 William Ramsey                      William Johnson  
 William Pawlen                      &      Thomas Wymington

Probatum fuit 3 Feb 1589